

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully acknowledge receipt of the Office Action mailed August 19, 2004. In the Office Action, the Examiner objected to the disclosure; objected to the specification for failure to provide proper antecedent basis for the claimed subject matter; objected to the drawings for failure to show every feature of the invention specified in the claims; and rejected claims 1-14 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter. Applicants respectfully traverse these objections and rejections.

Applicants acknowledge the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter in claims 1-14.

Applicants have amended the specification and claims 1 and 10. Claims 1-14 are pending in the above-captioned patent application.

I. SPECIFICATION

The Examiner objected to the disclosure because of various informalities on pages 8-10 of the specification (see Office Action at page 2). Applicants have amended the specification in order to correct these errors.

The Examiner further objected to the specification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.75(d)(1) as failing to provide proper antecedent basis for the visor-side connector section recited in claim 5. Applicants respectfully traverse the Examiner's objection and submit that sufficient antecedent basis for the claimed visor-side connector section recited in claim 5 can be found, for example, in descriptions of visor-side connector section 21 in the

specification at page 6, lines 15 and 21; page 7, lines 29 and 35; page 10, lines 13-14, and 18-21.

Thus, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the objection to the specification.

II. DRAWINGS

The Examiner objected to the drawings for failing to show every feature of the invention specified in the claims, specifically, the visor-side connector section of claim 5. Applicants note that Figure 4, for example, clearly shows visor-side connector section (21).

Thus, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the Examiner's objection to the drawings.

III. 35 U.S.C. §112, SECOND PARAGRAPH

The Examiner rejected claims 1-14 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter.

With regard to claim 1, Applicants have amended the claim in order to more clearly recite the function of the resilient catch-up blades. In particular, amended claim 1 recites in pertinent part, "the resilient catch-up blades are urged to the mounting objective plate body during rotation of the bracket in the mounting rotational direction under a condition where the bracket is inserted to a mounting opening of the mounting objective plate body." Thus, the Examiner's assertion that "the recited situation of claim

1 is conditional upon a certain thickness of the plate body in relation to the dimension of the catch up blades" (Office Action at paragraph 3) is moot. Furthermore, Applicants have changed "objecting" to "objective" as requested by the Examiner.

With regard to claim 10, Applicants have amended the claim in order clarify that the clause " and having a slope..." further defines the "hook portions." The amended claim recites in pertinent portions.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1-14, satisfy 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph.

IV. CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully submit that independent claim 1 is in condition for allowance. Rejected dependent claims 2-14 are also in condition for allowance by virtue of their dependency.


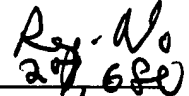
The Office Action contains characterizations of the claims and the related art with which Applicants do not necessarily agree. Unless expressly noted otherwise, Applicants decline to subscribe to any statement or characterization in the Office Action.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and reexamination of this application and the timely allowance of the pending claims.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge
any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

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